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## PLAINTIFFS

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY a/s/o Blue Ridge Product Solutions, LLC

ATTORNEYS (FIRM NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER)  
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CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE)  
(DO NOT CITE JURISDICTIONAL STATUTES UNLESS DIVERSITY)

Has this action, case, or proceeding, or one essentially the same been previously filed in SDNY at any time? No  Yes  Judge Previously Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, was this case Vol.  Invol.  Dismissed. No  Yes  If yes, give date \_\_\_\_\_ & Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

IS THIS AN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CASE?

No  Yes 

(PLACE AN [x] IN ONE BOX ONLY)

## NATURE OF SUIT

## TORTS

## ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES

CONTRACT	PERSONAL INJURY	PERSONAL INJURY [ ] 367 HEALTHCARE/ PHARMACEUTICAL PERSONAL INJURY/PRODUCT LIABILITY	FORFEITURE/PENALTY [ ] 625 DRUG RELATED SEIZURE OF PROPERTY [ ] 365 PERSONAL INJURY PRODUCT LIABILITY	BANKRUPTCY [ ] 422 APPEAL 28 USC 158 [ ] 423 WITHDRAWAL 28 USC 157	OTHER STATUTES [ ] 375 FALSE CLAIMS [ ] 376 QUI TAM [ ] 400 STATE REAPPORTIONMENT [ ] 410 ANTITRUST [ ] 430 BANKS & BANKING [ ] 450 COMMERCE [ ] 460 DEPORTATION [ ] 470 RACKETEER INFLU- ENCED & CORRUPT ORGANIZATION ACT (RICO) [ ] 480 CONSUMER CREDIT [ ] 485 TELEPHONE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT
[ ] 110 INSURANCE	[ ] 310 AIRPLANE	[ ] 315 AIRPLANE PRODUCT	[ ] 625 DRUG RELATED	[ ] 422 APPEAL 28 USC 158	
[ ] 120 MARINE	[ ] 315 AIRPLANE PRODUCT	LIABILITY	SEIZURE OF PROPERTY [ ] 365 PERSONAL INJURY PRODUCT LIABILITY	[ ] 423 WITHDRAWAL 28 USC 157	
[ ] 130 MILLER ACT		[ ] 320 ASSAULT, LIBEL & SLANDER	[ ] 690 OTHER		
[ ] 140 NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENT		[ ] 330 FEDERAL EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY			
[ ] 150 RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENT & ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENT		[ ] 340 MARINE PRODUCT LIABILITY			
[ ] 151 MEDICARE ACT		[ ] 345 MARINE PRODUCT LIABILITY			
[ ] 152 RECOVERY OF DEFULTED STUDENT LOANS (EXCL VETERANS)		[ ] 350 MOTOR VEHICLE PRODUCT LIABILITY	[ ] 370 OTHER FRAUD	[ ] 830 PATENT	
[ ] 153 RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENT OF VETERAN'S BENEFITS		[ ] 355 MOTOR VEHICLE PRODUCT LIABILITY	[ ] 371 TRUTH IN LENDING	[ ] 835 PATENT-ABBREVIATED NEW DRUG APPLICATION	
[ ] 160 STOCKHOLDERS SUITS				[ ] 840 TRADEMARK	
[x] 190 OTHER CONTRACT					
[ ] 195 CONTRACT PRODUCT LIABILITY					
[ ] 196 FRANCHISE	ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES				
	CIVIL RIGHTS				
	[ ] 440 OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS (Non-Prisoner)				
REAL PROPERTY					
[ ] 210 LAND CONDEMNATION	[ ] 441 VOTING				
[ ] 220 FORECLOSURE	[ ] 442 EMPLOYMENT				
[ ] 230 RENT LEASE & EJECTMENT	[ ] 443 HOUSING/ACCOMMODATIONS				
[ ] 240 TORTS TO LAND	[ ] 445 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES - EMPLOYMENT				
[ ] 245 TORT PRODUCT LIABILITY	[ ] 446 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES - OTHER				
[ ] 290 ALL OTHER REAL PROPERTY	[ ] 448 EDUCATION				

Check if demanded in complaint:

CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION  
UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

DO YOU CLAIM THIS CASE IS RELATED TO A CIVIL CASE NOW PENDING IN S.D.N.Y.  
AS DEFINED BY LOCAL RULE FOR DIVISION OF BUSINESS 13?

IF SO, STATE:

DEMAND \$ 15,244.84 OTHER JUDGE DOCKET NUMBER

Check YES only if demanded in complaint  
JURY DEMAND:  YES  NO

NOTE: You must also submit at the time of filing the Statement of Relatedness form (Form IH-32).

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 Original Proceeding | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Removed from State Court | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Remanded from Appellate Court | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Reinstated or Reopened | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Transferred from (Specify District) | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Multidistrict Litigation (Transferred) | <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. all parties represented       |   |  |   |  |   | <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Multidistrict Litigation (Direct File)         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. At least one party is pro se. |   |  |   |  |   |   |

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- 1 U.S. PLAINTIFF     2 U.S. DEFENDANT     3 FEDERAL QUESTION     4 DIVERSITY  
(U.S. NOT A PARTY)

**IF DIVERSITY, INDICATE CITIZENSHIP BELOW.****CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY)**

(Place an [X] in one box for Plaintiff and one box for Defendant)

CITIZEN OF THIS STATE	PTF [ ] 1	DEF [ ] 1	CITIZEN OR SUBJECT OF A FOREIGN COUNTRY	PTF DEF [ ] 3 [ ] 3	INCORPORATED and PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN ANOTHER STATE	PTF [ ] 5	DEF [ ] 5
CITIZEN OF ANOTHER STATE	[ ] 2	[ ] 2	INCORPORATED or PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN THIS STATE	[ ] 4 [ ] 4	FOREIGN NATION	[ ] 6	[ ] 6

**PLAINTIFF(S) ADDRESS(ES) AND COUNTY(IES)****DEFENDANT(S) ADDRESS(ES) AND COUNTY(IES)****DEFENDANT(S) ADDRESS UNKNOWN**

REPRESENTATION IS HEREBY MADE THAT, AT THIS TIME, I HAVE BEEN UNABLE, WITH REASONABLE DILIGENCE, TO ASCERTAIN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESSES OF THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANTS:

**COURTHOUSE ASSIGNMENT**

I hereby certify that this case should be assigned to the courthouse indicated below pursuant to Local Rule for Division of Business 18, 20 or 21.

Check one: THIS ACTION SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO:     WHITE PLAINS     MANHATTAN

DATE 11-30-2020

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN THIS DISTRICT

[ ] NO

YES (DATE ADMITTED Mo. January Yr. 2014)  
Attorney Bar Code # 1657

RECEIPT #

Magistrate Judge is to be designated by the Clerk of the Court.

Magistrate Judge \_\_\_\_\_ is so Designated.

Ruby J. Krajick, Clerk of Court by \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy Clerk, DATED \_\_\_\_\_.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT (NEW YORK SOUTHERN)

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